

# Epping NH & Newmarket NH



Adventures in Energy

# Concepts & Thoughts

### Outside the

- Distributed.
- ◆ As a lead.
- Myriad.
- New technologies.

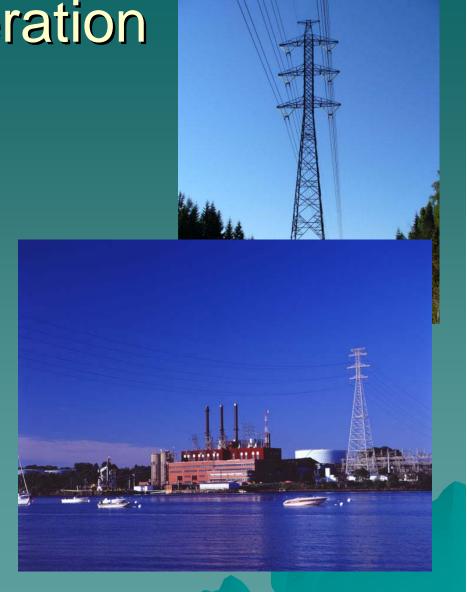
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- Without new investment in power infrastructure and greater energy efficiency and conservation, New England could soon be consuming more electricity than it can produce or buy from its neighbors," said Stephen Whitley, ISO New England's chief operating officer.
- Boston Globe 4/26/06

The Learning Curve

# Distributed Generation

- Moving away from centralized plants.
  - Waste Heat.
  - Transmission Loss.
  - Pollution.
- Security.
  - Onsite backup.
  - National targets.
- One world.
  - Pollution.
  - Renewables and Fuel Diversity.



### What we discovered.

- Cost savings.
  - Lower Taxes.
- Economic edge.
  - Economic Development.
  - Innovative and willing to partner.
- ◆ New Projects on line.
  - \$35 Million School.
  - New water source.
  - New treatment plant.

- Frustration leads to Freedom
- Municipal Role.
  - As Customer.
  - As Public Benefactor.
  - As Utility.
- Why not?

# Results

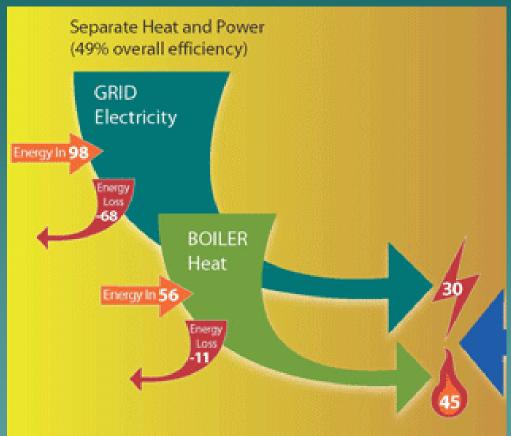
- Ultimate goal.
  - Municipal Utility.
  - 27 MW.
    - ◆ 2 Hydro existing dams.
    - Wind.
    - → 400,000 sq ft (PV)
    - ◆ CHP turbines.
  - \$27 million.
  - Cost/taxpayer = \$0
  - 60,000 tons / yr.
    - → 24,000 cars.

- First stage.
  - WWTP CHP
  - Use Methane
    - ◆ Renewable
    - → Cleaner burn
    - ◆ Free
  - Current
    - ♦ \$85,000/yr/elec.
    - ♦ \$35,000/yr/oil.
  - Projected:
    - ♦ \$35,000/yr/elec.
    - ♦ \$10,000/yr/propane.
    - → 2 year payback.

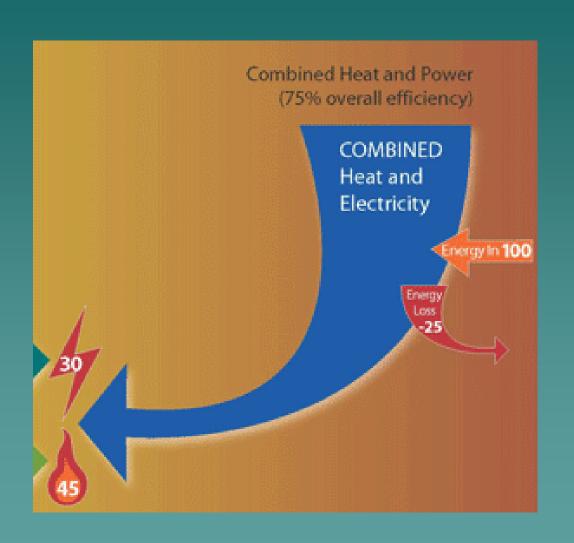
# Conventional







# Combined Heat & Power

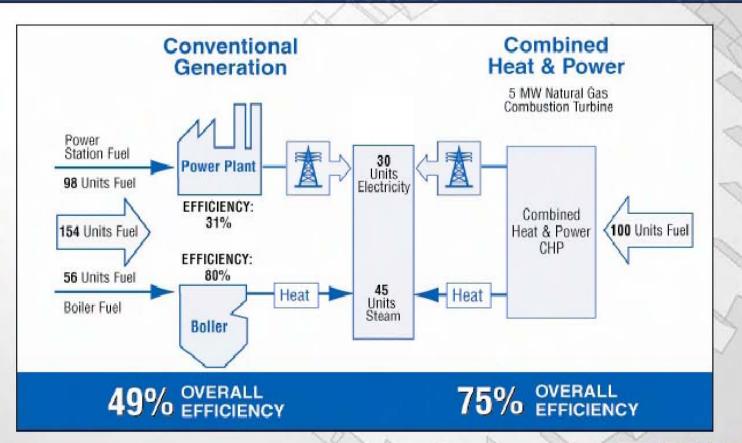






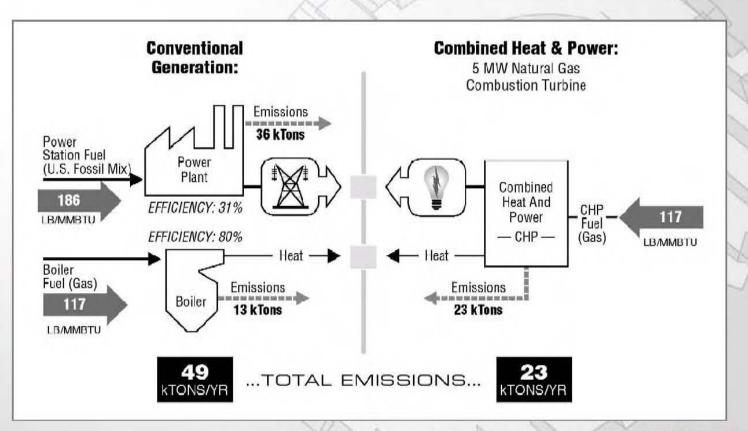


### **Efficiency Advantages of CHP**





### Environmental Benefits of CHP-CO<sub>2</sub> Example

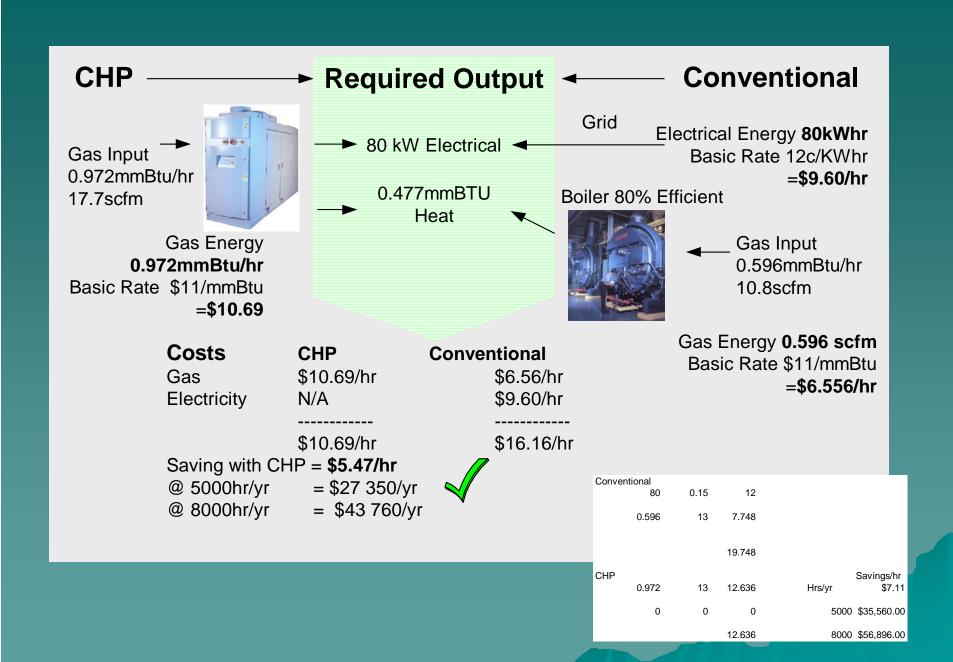




# Pollution

**Table 4.1 Emission Rates from Relevant Generation Technologies** 

Emissions	NOx (lb/MWh)	SO <sub>2</sub> (lb/MWh)	CO <sub>2</sub> (lb/MWh)
PEM	0.06-0.1	negligible	1170-1360
SOFC	0.05	negligible	910
MT natural gas	0.45-1.25	negligible	1500-1750
MT biodiesel	1.2	negligible	330
Gas-Fired Lean Burn IC Engine	2.2	negligible	1108
Biodiesel	29	negligible	330
Diesel Engine	26	3	1500
Wood Steam Plant	1.5	0.3	0
Diesel Engine	4.7-21.8	0.45	1432
Coal Power	5.6	13.4	2115
Average Fossil Power	5.1	11.6	2031



### Heat?

- Heat.
- Cool.
- Both/Same time.
- EvaporationDehumidification.
- Water.
- Steam.
- Air.

- Grocery.
- Bakery.
- Cold storage.
- Living space.
- ◆ Ice rink.
- Swimming pool.
- Manufacturing.

### Waste-Water Plant



Western Lake Superior Sanitary District

Digester Gas-to-Energy Project Commissioned February 2004

The Western Lake Superior Sanitary District serves as the wastewater and solid waste authority within a 530 square mile region in northeastern Minnesota. The regional wastewater treatment plant has been operating its Anaerobic Digestion Facility since 2001. The facility breaks down sludge into biosolids for use as fertilizer, and blogas for use as

Western Lake Superior Sanitary District (WLSSD)

Digester Gas-to-Energy Two MT70L Microturbines

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WLSSD is known throughout the industry for its leadership in implementing innovative solutions to environmental problems. With a vision to make its original anaerobic digesting project even more environmentally friendly, WLSSD partnered with Minnesota Power and the Minnesota Department of Commerce to develop a project that would use the waste methane to produce clean electrical and thermal energy.

Collaboration between WLSSD, the Department of Commerce and Minnesota Power led to the approval of a \$307,000 Minnesota Power Conservation Improvement Program grant to be used for the green power pilot study at the facility.

WLSSD contracted Siemens Building Technologies, already performing a district-wide energy review, to engineer and develop the green power project at the facility. Microturbines were chosen as the preferred technology because of their ability to burn low Blu gas more efficiently and with lower exhaust emissions and operating costs than

However, microturbines are not the only new technology demonstrated at this facility. Raw wastewater digester gas requires treatment to remove moisture and sloxanes, a substance found in cosmetos and shampons, prior to combuston in the microturbine. Because largersol-Rand was able to offer a complete waste gas-to-energy solution. Siemens chose IR's simoutable feel conditioning technology and microturbines for the project.

Ingersoll-Rand uses a proprietary technology to deep chill the gas, removing virtually all of the siloxanes, as well as other harmful contaminants. This same process removes moisture and compresses the biogas for reliable operation.

The microfurbine project was sized for continuous operation, generating 100% of the electricity required to operate the Anaerobic Digestion Facility, without the need to export power. The offset of purchased electricial power, combined with natural gas savings from the use of oc-generated hot water for space heat, would help NUSSD achieve the best return on the investment. The ability to demonstrate a reasonable financial palyaback was a

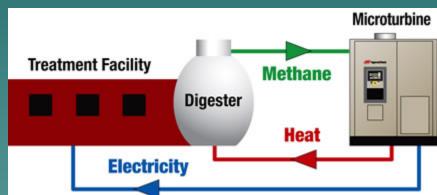
The IR microturbines ourrently receive approximately 50scfm of the available 300scfm stream of digester gas. The balance of the gas stream is used in a methane-fired boiler to heat the digesters, integration of the microturbines and fuel conditioning system into the facility was fairly simple due to substantial available space, available utility hookups, and proximity to the fuel source.

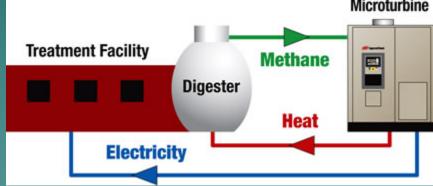




IR Fuel Conditioning System

For more information about Ingersoil-Rand Microturbines and Industrial Standby Generators, please contact IR Energy Systems or visit www.irenergysystems.com







### Essex Junction WWTF 60 kW CHP Application

### **Project Profile**



The MicoGen heat recovery system

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### **Ouick Facts**

Location: Essex Junction, Vermont

Installation Date: October 2003

CHP Equipment: Two 30-kW dual-fuel Capstone C-30 Micro-turbines MicoGen MG2C2 heat Recovery system

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Self-generated methane gas; natural gas

Winter and Summer Heat Recovery Application: Heating of anaerobic digester (process)

System Efficiency: > 80%

Annual Energy Savings: 412,000 kWh per year (36%)

Project Cost: \$303,000

Simple Payback: 7 years

### **Project Overview**

Until 2003, the Essex Junction wastewater treatment facility used half the waste methane gas produced by its anaerobic digester to fire the boiler that heated the digester. (Anaerobic digestion stabilizes wastewater sludge, reduces sludge volume, and eliminates pathogens.) The remaining waste methane gas was flared, because methane is a greenhouse gas that is 20 times as effective at trapping heat as carbon dioxide, the gas produced when methane is burned.

Although facility officials had been interested in combined heat and power since 1992, high initial costs failed to satisfy the requirement of the facility's governing board, that all projects have a simple payback of no more than seven years. Furthermore, it was unclear whether sufficient digester temperatures could be maintained when methane was used to fire a CHP system. The system was also required to emit no more pollutants than flaring methane did.

In order to satisfy the payback period requirement, the facility was able to obtain additional funding from Efficiency Vermont, The Biomass Energy Resource Center, NativeEnergy and the U.S. Department of Energy. While the local utility was supportive of the project, it was unable to offer financial support.

Essex Junction used Northern Power to design its system, which uses micro-turbines that can run on either methane or natural gas. The fuel system runs the two fuels in parallel, but methane gas is the priority fuel. Natural gas can be added, in continuously variable blends, through a mixing control valve.

"Northern Power Systems has developed a customized a control system that has worked very well and reliably for us," said James L. Jutras, Director Public Works/Wastewater Treatment.



Dual alternating CompAir V07G compressors

### Challenges

After the CHP system was installed, the power factor has dropped from 96 to 87. An investigation revealed that because the CHP system produces only real – rather than reactive – power, it changes the dynamics of the site grid. Plant officials are still studying the problem, Jutras said.

Also, because the digester methane gas is saturated with water, maintenance on the methane compressors has proven to be more difficult and costly than anticipated. The facility is upgrading its equipment, to maximize moisture removal. Officials hope this will significantly reduce the potential for further moisture problems.

### Benefits

- Saves \$37,000 in electricity costs (36% per year)
- Prevents power plant carbon dioxide emissions of 600,000 pounds
   Uses nearly 100% of its waste methane, a
- renewable fuel, compared to 50% before
  Demonstrated the viability of methane-
- fired cogeneration at a small facility
- Relieved transmission & distribution constraints on the grid

### **Energy Overview**

The facility pays an average price of electricity per kilowatt-hour of approximately 10 cents to the local million kWh per year and cost approximately \$100,000. That cost has dropped by \$37,000, or about 36 percent.

The facility produces an average of 30,300 cubic feet of methane per day, with a typical energy content of 520 BTU per cubic foot. Although it was initially envisioned that two 30 kW micro turbines would operate an average of 40 total hours per day, methane generation since startup in October of 2003 has been sufficient to run the micro turbines for 48 total hours each day. The extra eight hours represent more than 80,000 kWh of electricity per year.

On-peak demand has dropped from the range of 134-235 kW to the range of 110-215 kW; off-peak demand from 130-226 kW to 94-226 kW; average use from 93,000 kWh to 61,000 kWh.

### Awards

The Essex Junction CHP installation was awarded a 2003 Vermont Governor's Award for Environmental Excellence and Pollution Prevention. Projects are chosen for their innovative approach, economic efficiency, and their ability to serve as a model for others.

While methane-based cogeneration is more common at large wastewater facilities, it is not considered cost-effective for small facilities like Essex Junction, whose daily average flow is 2 million gallons per day. It is estimated that between 5% and 15% of the nation's 16,000 wastewater facilities could implement similar projects.

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Phone: 413-545-0684 Fax: 413-545-1027 www.northeastchp.org "The Essex
Junction CHP
installation is
proof that
small scale
CHP retrofits
are viable and
cost effective."

James L. Jutras,
Director, Public
Works/
Wastewater
Treatment,
Village of Essex
Junction



# Farms



### **Green Mountain Dairy**



Green Mountain Dairy Farm is expected to be online by February, 2007.

Location: Sheldon, Vermont

History: Owners Brian and Bill Rowell grew up on a farm in Albany, Vt. Brian's family owns Green Mountain Forest Products in Sheldon. Ten years ago, Brian decided to go back into farming, and started up Green Mountain Dairy. The barns seen here were built from scratch in 1999.

Cows: 1,050 milking

**Production:** The farm produces over 20 million pounds of milk a year, and is estimated to produce 1,828,000 KWH (kilowatt-hours) of electricity a year.



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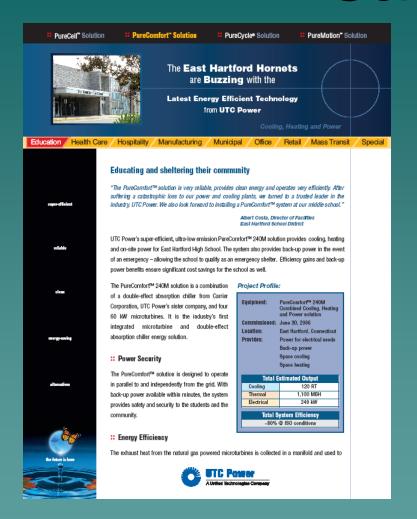
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\$250,000.00 \$150,000.00

## Schools





\$200,000.00 \$ 75,000.00

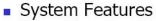
# Schools

Canton City Schools
C. T. Branin Natatorium
Microturbine Project





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- Microturbines- Two 28kw Capstones
  - Operate on 4 oz natural gas fuel pressure
  - Multi-Pac Operation (Multiple-units operate as one)
  - Grid Connect & Stand-Alone Operation
    - Stand Alone provides lighting for 1/3 of Pool area
  - NOX Emissions- Less than 9 ppm @ 15% O2,
    - Less than 0.49 lb/ Mwh
  - Sound Emissions less than 65dbA @ 10 meter (33ft)



# Heating / Cooling Schools

Canton City Schools
C. T. Branin Natatorium
Microturbine Project



- Pool Heating-
  - 600,000+ gallons, approx.80F operating temp.
  - Unifin MicroGen- heat exchanger 20F rise, 40 gpm
  - Maintenance- Bi-Annual check of piping

# Canton City Schools C. T. Branin Natatorium Microturbine Project



- Cooling
  - Air Condition Offices, Classroom, Hallway
  - Absorption Chiller-Cooltec 5 ton
  - Dual Fired- Waste heat and natural gas
  - Glycol solution, 10gpm, 45-55F temperature
  - Maintenance- Typical Annual System inspection

# Costs

Engineering Costs	\$9,700
Permitting Costs	\$300
Microturbine	\$80,000
Fluid Cooler	\$5,000
Construction Cost	\$70,000
Electrical Interconnection Cost	\$500
Gas Interconnection Cost	\$5,200
Heat Exchanger	\$16,000
Misc Costs	\$27,300
Total Costs	\$214,000

# CT = Energy Independence Act Distributed Resources

### Incentives/Grants

- Customer Side Generation
  - \$500/kW Southwest Connecticut\*
  - \$450/kW Remainder of Connecticut
  - Rebate of gas distribution charge
- Emergency Generation
  - \$250/kW Southwest Connecticut\*
  - \$200/kWRemainder of Connecticut
  - Must enroll in ISO-NE Demand Response Program

<sup>\*</sup> Additional \$50/kW only available for units operational before April 30, 2008

## New York = NYSERDA

NYSERDA will support three types of projects: feasibility studies (\$100,000 maximum subsidy), product development (\$500,000 max.), and demonstrations (\$1,000,000 max.). All proposals must be cost-shared at or above 50% (cash and in-kind), with preference given to proposals with higher contribution levels and higher cash portions of the contribution.

# Vermont = CDEF

- ◆ 10 V.S.A. § 6523 (2006)
- ◆ Vermont's Clean Energy Development Fund (CDEF) was established in 2005 to promote the development and deployment of cost-effective and environmentally sustainable electric-power resources -primarily renewable energy and combined heat and power (CHP). The CDEF will receive annual payments of \$6 million -\$7.2 million from Entergy, which owns the Vermont Yankee nuclear power plant.

# New Hampshire

- Net metering for very small residential renewable implementations.
- Equal to 0.05 % of the demand.
  - ♦ Yes, that is 5 one-hundredths of a percent.



# The Future

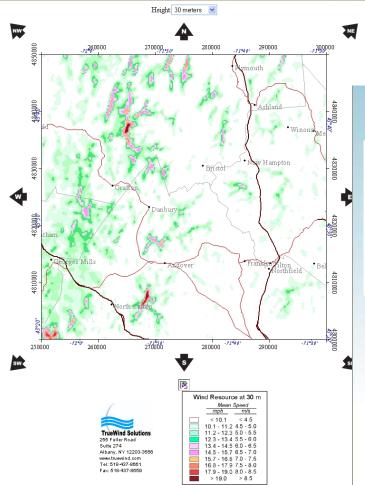
- Fuel Cells new technologies.
  - Hydrogen.

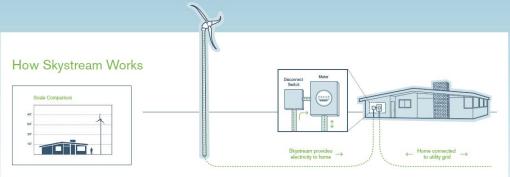


- → Solar.
  - Higher efficiencies.
  - -Lower costs.

## Wind

- ◆ Smaller.
- More efficient.





### Reduce Or Eliminate Your Electricity Bill

Skystream is the first wind-powered, gridconnected Residential Power Appliance that produces electricity for less than the retail rate of many utilities. Since everything is built in and there are no significant maintenance costs, once your Skystream is operating and the wind is blowing, you'll see an immediate reduction in electricity costs.

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Energy outputs based on average seasonal wind speed fluctuations and average household energy consumption Individual sites will vary.

### Will Skystream Work For You?

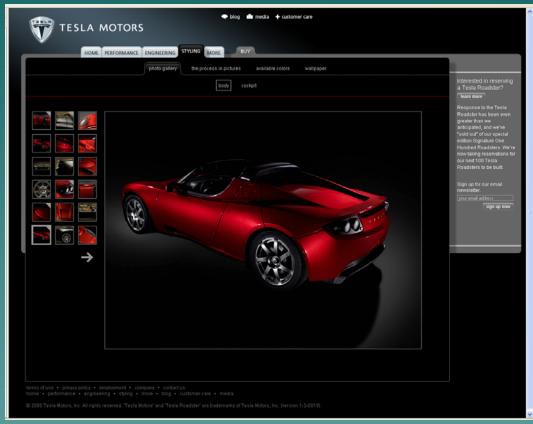
Our goal from the start was to make the free energy in the wind accessible to more people than ever before. Skystream's compact design and high-efficiency energy production has opened up that opportunity to millions of homes around the world. If your site fits the following criteria, chances are Skystream will work for you:

- MAT least 10 MPH average wind speed (best results at 12 MPH or more)\*
- your property is at least .5 acre and has unobstructed views
- The local zoning allows a structure that is at least 42' tall
- Your local utility has an existing interconnection agreement for homeowners (Your Skystream dealer can help determine this)

<sup>\*</sup> Visit www.skystreamenergy.com for wind maps for your area, or consult your local Skystream dealer.

# Back to the beginning.

- Think Distributed.
  - Solar.
  - Wind.
  - CHP.
- Made in America.
- ◆ The NH Advantage.
- Self-reliance.



Doh!

